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**PATENT**

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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed on June 30, 2006. In the Office Action, claims 1-3 and 5-7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Papadopoulos et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,282,454 in view of Shannon et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,233,618. Also, claims 1 and 5 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for indefiniteness. Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections for the reasons set forth below and respectfully requests that the rejections be withdrawn.